

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2018

What a year! As most of you would be aware I was diagnosed with a brain tumour in December last year and underwent surgery soon after to have it removed. It has been a traumatic time since but I am glad to report that god willing and in time I will be back to normal. I also became a Grandfather for the first time recently and little Zeraya Marion Klease is the love of my life.

From a club perspective 2018 was much less traumatic than last year and we posted an operating profit of \$56,339 compared to a loss of \$18,919. This was almost completely due to a reduction in building maintenance expenditure to \$20,883 compared to \$80,934. The drainage modifications completed after the flooding appear to have rectified the issues where water was able to flow through the wall on the Wilton St side of the building. Next year I do not anticipate any disasters but there will most likely be an increase in building expenditure as the board is investigating ways to make the path from the carpark and the front steps safer. We will also be applying for a grant to upgrade the toilets and will need to make a contribution to the project cost if it is approved.

I thank the other board members, all our volunteer workers and of course our long serving manager Toni Bardon for keeping the wheels turning during my lengthy convalescence. For the future we are looking at some marketing initiatives to recruit new members so we can ensure the long term prosperity of the club.

On behalf of the Board I offer my deep appreciation to all members for their support of the club in 2018.

Ray Ellaway
Chairman
QCBC Board